ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 1385

By: Hasenbeck of the House

and

Thompson (Kristen) of the Senate

An Act relating to professions and occupations; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 161.10a, which relates to the Oklahoma Chiropractic Practice Act; modifying continuing education requirements; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Professions and occupations

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 161.10a, is amended to read as follows:

Section 161.10a A. At least ninety (90) calendar days prior to the date of a proposed continuing education course, an Applications to provide chiropractic continuing education seminars shall be submitted for review and approval by the Board of Chiropractic Examiners. An applicant, association or entity shall submit to the Board for approval:

- 1. An application to provide continuing education in this state;
 - 2. The agenda for the continuing education seminar;
 - 3. The professional background of the instructors; and
- 4. A summary of the courses to be taught at the continuing education seminar.

- B. No later than sixty (60) calendar days after submission of the application, the Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall either approve or reject the continuing education seminar Prior to approval of an application, the Board may authorize the Executive Director to temporarily approve applications, or amendments to an application, pursuant to the requirements specified by this section and the rules approved by the Board for continuing education programs. Continuing education credits may only be counted for seminars receiving final Board approval.
- C. A continuing education program shall offer seminars providing continuing education on those subjects within the scope of practice of chiropractic as well as those technical, professional, and practical subjects that relate to the practice of chiropractic as included in Section 161.8 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes this title. Instructors at continuing education seminars may sell products as long as the sale of such products is ancillary to the purpose of the seminar.
- D. Each year a chiropractic physician must attend sixteen (16) hours of continuing education. Twelve (12) hours must be within the scope of practice of chiropractic as well as those technical, professional, and practical subjects that relate to the practice of chiropractic as included in Section 161.8 of this title. A maximum of four (4) hours may be non-clinical in nature.
- E. Beginning January 1, 2006, a A maximum of eight (8) hours of the annual Oklahoma continuing education requirements may be obtained by a continuing education program outside this state if the out-of-state continuing education program is approved by the Board.
- F. Chiropractic physicians who have not been in active practice during the previous year shall be exempt from that calendar year's continuing education requirements. However, prior to returning to active practice, the chiropractor must have attended the required continuing education during the previous calendar year.
- G. All licensed chiropractic physicians must attend a minimum of eight (8) hours of in-state continuing education programs approved by the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.
- H. The Board may waive the requirements for continuing education, if the licensee was prevented from attending by illness or extenuating circumstances, as determined by the Board. In

waiving the continuing education requirements for any given year, the Board may require the licensee to make up the hours in the succeeding year as a condition for license renewal.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of March, 2023. Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives Passed the Senate the 17th day of April, 2023. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Received by the Office of the Governor this 18^{14} day of <u>Upril</u>, 20<u>33</u>, at <u>11:44</u> o'clock <u>u</u>. M. By: Sumulurn Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this day of <u>Apul</u>, 20<u>33</u>, at <u>4:16</u> o'clock <u>p.</u> M. Governor of the State of Oklahoma OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this $\frac{19^{4}}{10^{4}}$ ENR. H. B. NO. 1385 Page 4